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From: Molitor, Pamela

Sent: Thursday, May 01, 2014 10:09 AM

To: Jeff Hartness

Subject: RE: Soil Sampling for the Remedial Investigation at the Bautsch-Gray Mine Superfund Site Located at 746 South Blackjack Road in Jo Daviess County, Illinois

Dear Mr. Hartness,

Thanks for getting the access agreement back to us. The sampling that we will be doing on your property as proposed is one soil boring and one water sample from your well (in locations previously sampled by Weston).

As part of the remedial investigation, EPA must obtain samples in order to determine the extent of the contamination and to support a proposed long-term remedy.

The IEPA investigation was conducted to determine if there was a risk to human health or the environment that had to be addressed. Once IEPA determined that there was enough evidence to warrant clean up they contacted USEPA with their results.

The Removal program (led by EPA OSC Len Zintek) conducted their investigation in order to determine if there was an immediate health or environmental threat from the site contaminants that had to be addressed in the short-term in order to prevent immediate risk to human health or the environment. Based on their investigation, they performed work that would mitigate the immediate threat. However there are still contaminants at the site that must be addressed in the long-term.

The Remedial program conducts its investigation to determine the extent of the contamination and the long term risk to human health and the environment associated with the contamination. While we may use sampling information from previous investigations as a baseline, our remedial investigation requires us to get current site condition information as well as current information regarding background or naturally occurring condition of the soil and groundwater. Our sampling protocol provides us with information regarding where or whether the contaminants from the site have migrated and provides us with the information we need to make a determination as to the most appropriate remedy that will reduce the risk to human health and the environment for the long term.

I hope that this answers your questions. Thank you again for your cooperation. I really appreciate it.

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From: Jeff Hartness

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Sent: Wednesday, April 30, 2014 10:21 PM

To: Molitor, Pamela

Cc: Hartness, Jeff

Subject: Soil Sampling for the Remedial Investigation at the Bautsch-Gray Mine Superfund Site Located at 746 South Blackjack Road in Jo Daviess County, Illinois

Hi Pamela,

I just completed the access agreement you sent me and will mail it back to you tomorrow.

For clarification purposes, please explain to me why you need to do extensive sampling on my property as well as the Bautsch-Gray Mine property. Extensive sampling on both of these properties has already been conducted by Bruce Everetts with the Illinois EPA and On-Scene Coordinator, Len Zintek, from your own Region 5.

Weston Solutions, Inc., did a Site Assessment Report on March 9, 2010. The IEPA did a Expanded Site Inspection Report on November 23, 2010. Please see the attached copies of these documents for your review.

Thank you.

Stephan (Jeff) Hartness

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